

1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 3021

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 3021, AS AMENDED,
3 with reference to page and line numbers of House Amendment
4 No. 1, by replacing lines 4 through 34 on page 3 and lines 1
5 through 22 on page 4 with the following:

6 "(f) Subject to subsection (f-5), an assistance unit,
7 receiving financial aid under this Article or temporarily
8 ineligible to receive aid under this Article under a penalty
9 imposed by the Illinois Department for failure to comply with
10 the eligibility requirements or that voluntarily requests
11 termination of financial assistance under this Article and
12 becomes subsequently eligible for assistance within 9 months,
13 shall not receive any increase in the amount of aid solely on
14 account of the birth of a child; except that an increase is
15 not prohibited when the birth is (i) of a child of a pregnant
16 woman who became eligible for aid under this Article during
17 the pregnancy, or (ii) of a child born within 10 months after
18 the date of implementation of this subsection, or (iii) of a
19 child conceived after a family became ineligible for
20 assistance due to income or marriage and at least 3 months of
21 ineligibility expired before any reapplication for
22 assistance. This subsection does not, however, prevent a
23 unit from receiving a general increase in the amount of aid
24 that is provided to all recipients of aid under this Article.

1 The Illinois Department is authorized to transfer funds,
2 and shall use any budgetary savings attributable to not
3 increasing the grants due to the births of additional
4 children, to supplement existing funding for employment and
5 training services for recipients of aid under this Article
6 IV. The Illinois Department shall target, to the extent the
7 supplemental funding allows, employment and training services
8 to the families who do not receive a grant increase after the
9 birth of a child. In addition, the Illinois Department shall
10 provide, to the extent the supplemental funding allows, such
11 families with up to 24 months of transitional child care
12 pursuant to Illinois Department rules. All remaining
13 supplemental funds shall be used for employment and training
14 services or transitional child care support.

15 In making the transfers authorized by this subsection,
16 the Illinois Department shall first determine, pursuant to
17 regulations adopted by the Illinois Department for this
18 purpose, the amount of savings attributable to not increasing
19 the grants due to the births of additional children.
20 Transfers may be made from General Revenue Fund
21 appropriations for distributive purposes authorized by
22 Article IV of this Code only to General Revenue Fund
23 appropriations for employability development services
24 including operating and administrative costs and related
25 distributive purposes under Article IXA of this Code. The
26 Director, with the approval of the Governor, shall certify
27 the amount and affected line item appropriations to the State
28 Comptroller.

29 Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to prohibit
30 the Illinois Department from using funds under this Article
31 IV to provide assistance in the form of vouchers that may be
32 used to pay for goods and services deemed by the Illinois
33 Department, by rule, as suitable for the care of the child
34 such as diapers, clothing, school supplies, and cribs.

1 (f-5) Subsection (f) shall not apply to affect the
2 monthly assistance amount of any family as a result of the
3 birth of a child on or after January 1, 2004. As resources
4 permit after January 1, 2004, the Department may cease
5 applying subsection (f) to limit assistance to families
6 receiving assistance under this Article on January 1, 2004,
7 with respect to children born prior to that date. In any
8 event, subsection (f) shall be completely inoperative on and
9 after July 1, 2007."